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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
TC 2800 MAIL ROOM

In re Application of:

Shingo OHKAWA

Serial No.: 09/273,448

Filed: March 22, 1999

Group Art Unit: 2871

Examiner: H. NGO

For: SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE AND LIQUID
CRYSTAL DISPLAY

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for an extension of time into the 4th month after the response due date, i.e., until May 18, 2001, for responding to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2000.

A check for the appropriate fee set by 37 CFR §1.17 of \$1,390.00 is attached hereto for this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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